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Cell Components**

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Second Preliminary Amendment is submitted to eliminate a multiple claim dependency in claim 11 as filed.

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 11 to read as follows:

11. (amended) A solid oxide fuel cell system according to claim 1 in which one or more components are adapted to be exposed to a temperature in excess of 750°C and an oxidising atmosphere.